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Editor's note

Dear Everyone,

You will find this issue deliciously jam-packed with opinions, notices, and other student contributions. I LOVE you all for sending them and I encourage you to keep submitting!

That said, I have an earnest request for you all: PLEASE, SEND YOUR SUBMISSIONS BY 5PM FRIDAY!

Okay, Sorry to yell, but when you submit your texts late, it means the editor-in-chief of the week and the layout editor have to edit and format your text on Saturday, a day which is supposed to be dedicated to layout only.

This week, we received half our submissions late, so we started doing the layout late, and we stayed VERY late into the evening on Saturday to finish the Quid. We then submitted the formatted version to the printers late, and had to rely on their (greatly appreciated) kindness and indulgence to get the Quid out to you on time.

Moral of the story: if you must submit sometime past 5PM on Friday, please write us by 5PM Friday to let us know what time we can expect your text and how long you expect it to be. If you call on Saturday to ask that something be put in the Quid for the following Tuesday, be prepared to have your request denied.

Sincerely, Marta Juzwiak

P.S. We had serious Computer problems and all apostrophes & special characters appear as blank spaces. our apologies - will spaces.

Elections

CANDIDATES FOR FIRST YEAR CLASS PRESIDENT



Joana Ali



Nawel Bailey

Two single, quirky, clumsy, brilliant, honest, females seeking the support of first year law students!

Joana has finished a M.A in Musicology at McGill University, and has held many different positions in the Post Graduate Student Society as well as the Music Graduate Society and so is familiar with the workings of student politics. Nawel did a B.A. in Political Science, also at McGill University. She spent the last 7 months working with Oxfam in the field of human rights in Morocco. Joana aime la natation et la plongee sous marine. Nawel adore la nature et an particulier l'escalade, le trek, et velo de montagne. We have only known each other since starting law

school, but despite our different backgrounds, we feel that we can work well as a team as First Year Class Presidents. The three weeks (day and night) that our class has spent together have made us proud to be a part of a such a diverse and energetic first year. We will help the LSA to facilitate the realisation of your goals and aspirations, whether they be to pass a course, work on Bay Street or fight for human rights. We re in this together, so come to us with your questions and concerns. (Then of course, there are the parties)

We also love long walks on the beach, romantic dinners, and sunsets if interested, please come out and vote on September 25th!



Lynne Chlala

Since I hate campaigning, I ll get straight to the point. I can t give you a nice and concise reason why I want to be President of our year. I don t think that it would be particularly relevant for me to give you a summary of my extra-curricular activities or the executive positions I ve held. (If you re really interested, come and talk to me!) It s also pretty hard to

come up with a platform after only two weeks since none of us knows quite what to expect yet. The bottom line is that I would be a (very) outspoken and effective advocate of any and all demands/concerns/ideas that we have as first year students. Go out and vote this week - get your voice heard!



Fabien Fourmanoit

What I Could Do (And Probably Should)

Faire l loge de ma pr opre grandeur:

Je pourrais, comme la logique commanderait de la faire, vous conjuguer mes vertus tous les temps et tous les modes:

a) Une solide exp rience de repr sentant (lu 5 ann es de suite

dans des tablissements diffrents)

b) Formation transsyst mique (dans les syst mes qu b cois et fran ais)

c) ge ni pr -pubertaire, ni v n rable; les joies du juste milieu (pour ceux qui prisent les clich s atroces, celui d <une perspective nouvelle> devrait vous satisfaire) Etc.

(Fabien Cont d)

Mais je suis s r que si vous tes assez maso pour lire ces lignes en ce moment, vous nl tes pas assez pour lire quelqu un qui essaise d tre logique.

Bribing: I could promise a beer to all of those who are willing to consider voting for me. But 160 times 3 bucks being 480 dollars, I m afraid I ll just have to trust you on this one.

Utiliser des techniques de pulicit d gradantes: Je pourrais employer diverses tactiques de marketing honteuses, comme aligner le mot SEXE SEXE SEXE en majuscules sur toute la page. Mais comme j ai confianceen mes capacit s propres, je ne le ferai pas (c est vrai, apr s tout, je l ai peine crit 4 fois)

Hiring a hit man: I could also resort

to various threats, as for instance the threat of making sure your life is individually a living hell if you don t vote for me. But I rely on your conscience to do that for me.

Mais tant la personne modest, honn te, moralement correcte et nonviolente que je suis, je na vais dire que ceci: si vous avez eu la patience de lire ce message jusqu ici, vous aurez la patience de m endurer toute l ann e. And for those who haven t and who couldn t care less about this election thing or who just aren t patient period, at least pretend you have a sense of principels and vote for someone who does care:

Fabien Fourmanoit - as first year president

What up McGill faculty of law!

Je m app le S bastien Jodoin et je
me pr sente pour l un des deux
postes de pr sident de classe de la
premi re ann e.

Personality type: I m anxious and neurotic at times (re: Woody Allen) but sometimes I m a little too carefree (re: the fact that I submitted my application at the faculty in person 30 minutes before the deadline). I m also a very organized person, but I can be very spontaneous as well.

Mes int r ts dans le droit : la philosophie du droit, le droit constitutionnel et la relation r ciproque qui existe entre

Non-law interests: Dancing to Billie Jean at the Caf Campus retro night on Tuesdays, romantic comedies from the 1970s, 16th century British political intrigue dramas, French existentialist philosophy (more Sartre than Camus), surrealist paintings, every type of music (except hardcore rap and heavy metal), hanging out on the Plateau, catching a play at Th tre Jean Duceppe

Si j tais lu, j aimerais:

(1) servir d interm diaire entre le

LSA et notre ann e

(2) aider or ganiser des sorties et des activit s pour notre ann e en particulier

(3) rendre notre ann e active au sein de la facult

My prior experience (like you re really interested....): I ve been an the editorial board of my school paper, served as president of non-elected committees at my previous school, served on the administration board of my previous school s student administration, organized three fashion shows for charitable causes...

Bottom-line: I m a very dedicated person and I d basically just want to help our year have a good time and I m willing to do my best to make that happen. I love helping people and I love organizing things and I d like to do that at the faculty.

thank you for you precious reading time...

S bastien Jodoin



Shy Joshua Kurtz

Hi, My name is Dinesh Melwani and I am running for class prez. I know that you can only vote for 2 people and I see the difficult decision you face. This is definitely a very qualified group of candidates, and I am sure those selected will serve the purpose well; however, let me tell you about the most deserving candidate of all (not me!). The gentleman I speak of is a real team player with a charming personality and sense of spirit, he s someone who I know I would love to work with; and thus, he s already won my vote. I speak of my amigo, Shy Kurtz.

Here s why Shy should be one of your presidents. He has major life experience. Let me explain. He s lived in 13 different countries, speaks more than half a dozen languages (8 to be exact) and possesses an elite military experience which (if you only knew!) is the true definition of leadership. In my opinion: that s *Commitment*.

To see a man complete his thesis (with top marks might I add) whilst single-handedly caring for his 2-year-old daughter because his wife is working abroad that s *Responsibility*.

And on top of all this, you get a guy who is easy to talk to, can light up a room in a second, and will bend over backwards just to make you laugh. That s a *Real Friend*.

So, do us all a favour and vote for Shy because, simply put: That s a *President*.



Dinesh Melwani

Hi everybody, my name is Shy Kurtz and I am one of your candidates for Class Prez. As I am sure you can all understand, I feel like I m living a dream coming to Law school at McGill. I never used to be gung-ho in school politics but I was never gungho for a school like I am for this school for this faculty . I am surrounded by little super-people and it makes me feel rather proud. One of these super-people that I am speaking of is my new friend and fellow Class Prez candidate, Dinesh Melwani. You can probably recognize him by the S on his chest.

Dinesh s experience of representing his fellow classmates began in high school and continued on through Cegep and university, with positions entailing increasingly sophisticated responsibilities and duties. However, this alone does not make Dinesh an example of what makes our first-year Law class at Mcgill so special.

Dinesh is the kind of person

who would buy you a beer upon introduction (at Dean Leuprecht s barbecue). He is the kind of person who would share his lunch with you (when your wife promised she d make you one but slept in instead). He s also the kind of guy who turns down the advances of that really hot blond girl just because he decides that he thinks he might maybe be sort of interested in this other girl who has the cutest smile [he s] ever seen (ok so he s not perfect). And last, Dinesh is the kind of guy who will bring his homework to your house because he knows that you re alone babysitting your sick little girl. However, the biggest perk of all and you have to experience it to believe it is Dinesh s easy-access to every club and VIP hot spot in Montreal, which, as the city s favorite events-coordinator and promoter, he loves to exploit for all his friends.

In short, vote for Dinesh; this guy really does love his neighbor even his new ones.

CANDIDATES FOR FACULTY COUNCIL



Jean-Sebastien Lessard

Hello everyone!

Let me introduce myself. Mon nom est Jean-Sebastien Lessard et je suis originaire de St-Georges de Beance. I did my undergrad in International Studies at York University. I graduated in 2000 and worked for awhile. Mes exp riences pass es, comme consultant pour un programme d aide aux employ s (Les Consultants Shepell PAE) et comme coordinateur r gional pour une or ganization charitable (Share the Warmth) m ont amen es n cessairement 1 tre 1 coute des besoins des gens concern s. Je me porte candidat pour tre conseuller avec un esprit

ouvert et innovateur. Like all first year students, still discovering McGill, I am extremely enthusiastic but also, I must admit, a bit disoriented. Mais ne vous en inquieter pas, je fera tout en mon pouvoir pour bien vous repr senter.

Le Beance est souvent qualifi e de terre du entrepreneurs je compte bien perp tuer cette repr sentation.

Craig Rosario



Rachel Faye Smith

Hello and bonjour! My name is
Rachel and I m running for the Firstyear Faculty Council Position. I m
looking at this as a great opportunity both to get involved with law life at
McGill and to carry on my involvement with student government. I
have just finished a Masters Degree at
an international university in Japan,
where I served as both the student
body president and as a rep on my
program s academic council. I
worked extensively with Faculty and
Administrators, voicing student
concerns and helping to build a

program and faculty that looked to the future. I m excited to apply these experiences to my new life at McGill law. If you vote for me, you ll have a rep who is experienced and interested in working with you for a strong student voice on the Faculty Council. Thank you.

Elan Roiz

ACCLAIMED THRID YEAR CLASS PRESIDENT

Lori Di Pierdomenico

Collateral Savings

by Jeff King, Law III

he attack on the World Trade Centre gave occasion for enormous grief, both immediately and in the future. I would like to comment on one aspect of that grief, namely, the response it generates. The attack is normally viewed as horrible and wrong because it involved the killing of thousands of innocent people. Terrorism is a useful word for distinguishing between state-sponsored killing of innocent people and individual or ad hoc killing of innocent people (what one great critic calls wholesale and retail violence). Both are wrong, but it is the latter kind only that gets the negative press it deserves.

Let s then turn to the former kind. The United States is now planning a massive retaliation in which it has formally conceded that innocent lives will be lost. Collateral damage. I ve heard comments such as Well, I m not happy about the collateral that s not This is spouted in a right but back-handed fashion, and the tone almost suggests that it is unavoidable and deserved in the present case. But this is clearly wrong. The attack on the WTC was terrible because innocent life was lost, and the planned retaliation will be wrong for precisely the same reason. Not only will this life be lost, but there seems to be little attention devoted to the effort of minimizing it. This is all done in the name of retribution. Is this how society reacts to its own criminals? Do we justify punishment on the basis of retribution or reformation? Further, do we harm innocent people to get at the guilty, or do we rather choose occasionally to forgo capturing the guilty in order to protect the innocent? The stakes are different, I suppose, when the barrel is turned upon the Middle East. What is worse is that the people in that region, in Afghanistan above all, have far less to do with their country s policy choices than did the elite group of policy makers working at the World Trade Center. Nevertheless, they shall perish in the collateral effects of a questionable policy of retribution.

At this point of the argument, many say, in a familiar rhetorical fashion employed by conservatives, Well what do you expect? Are we gonna just let Oh-Sah-mah Bin Layden get away withit!?! and they pound a nearby table. The answer is

no. That is also not an acceptable option. Rather, we should consider, and employ the rhetoric of, a police -action. The use of the term war justifies collateral damage, and it

obviates the need for proving that someone is actually responsible for anything. It also strives to legitimize any form of violence whatsoever. The US ought to have put together a structure for a world-wide organised police action. How would it take place? I have some ideas, but bear in mind that the US also has the world s most awesome array of intellectual power, and could have put together a comprehensive plan very quickly.

First, measures should have been taken to establish an international tribunal to present evidence to convict Bin Laden of having been linked to the crimes in question. If he refused to appear, an *amicus curiae* could be appointed for him. While the tribunal took place, the international community could create a US-led military/police force which would gather intelligence and develop a

strategy against the potentially uncooperative Taliban government. Upon a verdict of guilty, the US-led international police force could demand cooperation from the Taliban government, and give a deadline for compliance. In the event of noncooperation, the occupying force could stage a coup to oust the Taliban from control temporarily, recover the accused, and exit the country. If lives are to be lost in this coup attempt, it should be those of combatants. It is not satisfactory to bomb the country into oblivion, because it is the loss of innocent life that justifies the action

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in the first place. Thus the action, if justified in taking place at all, should involve direct combinations of pinpoint airstrikes and paratrooper occupation of strategic areas of control, with flyover cover for protection. Once in de facto control, it could combine its surveillance, aircover and armoured patrols to carry out a more or less conventional police operation. If people wish to punish the Taliban for its complicity in this affair (rather than its ongoing direct violation of women s rights and human rights in general), then this option can be taken through numerous diplomatic and economic channels, and most effectively through multilateral pressure on Pakistan. Those sanctions, however, would need to be smart ones, and not do things like make medicine inaccessible to children and the various

other horrors the US and Britain promoted in Iraq.

This approach is strategically valuable in numerous ways, over and above the collateral savings. First, it would promote, in some respects, the rule of law. Second, it would discourage radical backlash from the Arab region by being less blatantly imperialistic about the whole affair. Even the biblical name -Infinite Justice- is like throwing naptha on the fiery calls for a Jihad. Third, the international community would surely be less uneasy about such an approach, which would give it some gloss of legality and proportionality, and less that of a republican yahoo ride. Finally, it would allow the US administration to save face before its own electorate while at the same time placating, in part, the valid criticisms of those who don t like to see innocent people die.

SUBMIT TO THE QUID

Deadline:
5PM Friday
Next Week:
Halloween Issue

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A Look in the Mirror

by François Tanguay-Renaud, Nat IV

would like to thank Jeff for his submission to this week s Quid entitled Collateral Damage. Many thanks for bringing new dimensions to the discussion: a <u>full</u> and <u>uncensured</u> debate of the question is unequivocally needed.

With all due respect, I must however beg to differ.

The summer I spent in Pakistan as a human rights intern taught me several things. Among them, the dire impact that years of Western oppression have had on plethora of non-White Christian/ Jewish non-westerners. In Pakistan, millions of lives were lost in forced migration when the United Kingdom arbitrarily drew the borders dividing British India into Pakistan and India. The United States later picked up the torch by inciting and funding Pakistani groups to generate opposition to the Russian invasion of Afghanistan,

an initiative which ultimately resulted in the creation of the Taliban. Hubco, an American company, owns the quasi-totality of Pakistan's electricity production and resells it at unconscionable rates, under the seal of approval of the World Bank. And U.S. imperialism is unfortunately not limited to the subcontinent and central Asia. Thousands and thousands of civilian lives and ideals have been lost in Sub-Saharan Africa, El Salvador, Nicaragua, Columbia, Granada, Panama, Vietnam, Cambodia, Laos, Iraq, Chile, Sudan, Cuba, Greece, etc. due to policies emanating more than anything from chauvinistic and neo-colonial philosophies. Not to mention the slave trade or Hiroshima

But a long term solution to the issue of terrorism is clearly needed, isn t it?

Unquestionably. It is however not for the US to retaliate militarily

(inside or outside the UN framework) nor for it to sponsor the creation of any international tribunal (that would necessarily be very political and western in outlook, as many Afghani and Pakistani people view, to my understanding, justice much more in terms of healing and restoration). Nor is it to develop any consistent police response. These so-called solutions would only amount to a perpetuation of the very same imperialist vision of the world that compels various people to shout their disagreement through the voice of terrorism. With the weight of its financial resources and modern military technology, the United States have been able to take weaker populations head on. Poorer states do not have that option. Some groups within these societies may perceive terrorism as their only means. This does not excuse in any way the killing of civilians, but there is

unfortunately an extent to which the U.S. has brought it upon itself. If there is any real and long term solution to the issue of terrorism, it must start with the U.S. (and its Western followers) questioning intensely what has engendered most of the terrorist attacks that have occurred in recent years and why a large portion of humanity simply and bluntly hates the W est. I mean, all critics of the United States must necessarily be wrong, musn t they?

Only a drastic change in U.S. policies can hope to bring peace and justice to the

Leave Afghanis and the Arab world alone for a moment and, Uncle Sam, take a look in the mirror. It is not the individual that matters (i.e. bin Laden), but what September 11 tells us. Acknowledgement of years of historical privilege and imperialism and significant steps to reverse it is the ONLY viable long term solution (or constitutes at the very least a good start). Let us not fall in the trap of holding BIN LADEN blindly accountable in order to appease vengeance-thirsty part of the U.S.

electorate, while America, on the other hand, has NEVER been held accountable itself.

As a student of law, do I have anything else to add? Well, perhaps. International law might be of help in cases like this if it were respected. This seems to

be out of the question under Republican America. International judicial processes can also be useful in many respects when they are impartial, independent, representative and apolitical. This is not likely to happen anytime soon. As much as a military response would not amount to anything constructive, a long term solution at the international level should not be thought of in juridical terms, for the moment at least. The result would inevitably amount to another oppressive quick-fix band aid.

A very thoughtful friend of mine has written the following about the WTC events in a recent email to me. I take the freedom to reproduce it here as a conclusion:

If there is ever a time to learn and talk about the legacy of imperialism and racism worldwide, it is now. There are a lot of articles circulating pointing out the magnitude of this event compared to what the US and its allies have inflicted on the Third World... people have been collaterally damaged for a long time. Only then can we avoid presenting a distorted though well-intentioned view of so-called justice, in response to a tragic event.

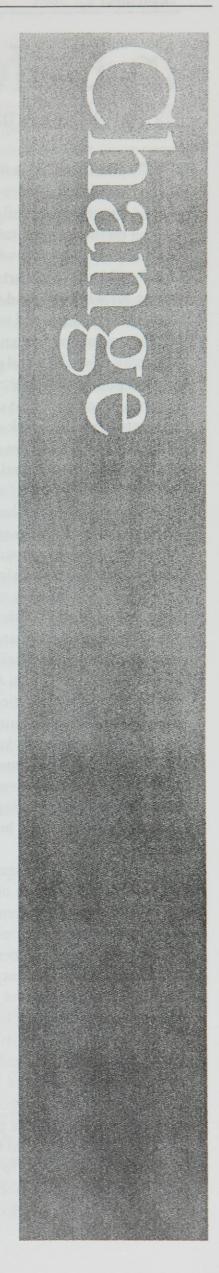
I concur.

Only a drastic change in U.S. policies can hope to bring peace and justice to the world.

world. No military action of any kind to recover a suspect against whom there is little proof will suffice. It would only be a continuation of what I and many other Canadians, Americans, Pakistanis, Iranians, Roma, etc. stand against, namely Western military and economic domination.

Granted, religious fundamentalism (largely spawned deliberately by the U.S.) is clearly not acceptable. But the causes underlying the WTC events are much deeper. Depending on the perspective, religious fundamentalism is often depicted as a frame of mind that is as oppressive as U.S. market fundamentalism (to use Georges Soros s expression and Ignacio Ramonet s analogy). One could even wonder which of these fundamentalist ideologies has been the most costly in terms of human lives up to now.

Tribunal or no tribunal, police action or no police action, the big picture will remain the same. Muslim and Arab-looking people in the streets of New York, Montreal, Paris, London or Toronto will continue to have to hide because of fear of racist attacks. Some McGill students will still continue to proclaim the victory of zionism, at least for the next 50 years (it made me shiver to hear this on the morning of September 11). Terrorist organizations will continue to plot for bigger and more horrendous attacks.



In Defense of America

by Jonathan Amiel, Law III

n last week s Quid, two published articles seemed to suggest that, while the attack on the United States two weeks ago was wholly indefensible, at least part of the blame for what occurred should in some way be deposited with the American government and its allegedly misguided and perilous foreign policy. One of the authors, for whom I have the utmost respect, suggested that the attack against the Untied States was not an assault upon the ideals of freedom and democracy, but rather was a powerful, specific, attack on American global dominance. She is of course not alone in her belief that in many ways the United States played a significant role in creating the very monster it now wishes to slay. With all due respect to those who share her conviction however, I believe that you are sorely mistaken. As the distinguished Democratic Congressman from California Tom Lantos stated, the terrorist attackers who murdered some 6,000 innocent people two weeks ago were consumed with an unrelenting hatred, not for what America does, but for what it is.

If we are to engage in a comprehensive analysis of American foreign policy, which seems necessary given some of the points raised in last week s articles, then let us do it properly. While it is easy to highlight and criticize the many lapses in judgement displayed by various administrations over the years, in order to fully understand America s role within the global community, we need to go back a little further. The authors of last week s articles seemed to have forgotten that in the not to distant past, the United States, for all of its apparent global dominance, wanted

nothing to do with the rest of the world. Content with allowing the Great Powers of Europe to dominate international affairs, America clung desperately to its isolationist tendencies well into the twentieth century. It is ironic that many of the same nations that now take issue with America s perceived hegemony, are the same nations that were critical of America s seeming indifference to the plight of Europe during the earlier stages of both World Wars. For much of its history the United States was singularly focused on its own domestic affairs. It is only in recent years that America has been willing and able to assume the role of global policemen. Before we start finding evil in America s record in the area of international relations, let us not forget that the rest of the world desperately needed and wanted the United States to assume the role as the leader of the world.

Please do not misunderstand me. I am not saying that the United States hasn t made its fair share of mistakes and miscalculations in the area of foreign policy. Like the authors of last week s articles, I too take issue with various aspects of American diplomacy. Unlike those authors however, I think the great failure of America is that at times it has been far too reluctant to involve itself when and where its leadership, resources and guidance was desperately needed. That being said, let us not forget that throughout the past half-century America has consistently sought to defend the rights and liberties of millions of people. More than any other nation America has invested in promoting and protecting democratic governance and opposing aggression throughout the world. To suggest for a moment that somehow it is America's perceived arrogance and power that fuels hatred abroad rather than a malevolent and unwavering hatred of Western idealism is, quite frankly, ridiculous. Criticize American policy if you must, but don t condemn the nation for assuming the very role which the rest of the free world bestowed upon it.

As for the attack itself, it wasn t meant as an indictment of American foreign policy, it was a brutal protest of an American foreign policy, namely, America's continued support of the State of Israel (a policy which I believe to be politically, strategically and morally justified). Before we criticize American interventionism and global dominance, let s be clear as to exactly what type of intervention we are referring too. Are we objecting to America s intervention against Nazi Germany? Or are we chastising America s opposition to communist expansion in Korea and Southeast Asia? What about America s misguided attempt to single-handedly rebuild Europe and Japan after the Second World War? Or maybe we should take issue with America's selfish attempts to broker peace agreements in both the Middle East and Ireland? Or perhaps America should be criticized for its unjustified attempt to halt the global trafficking of narcotics? What about America s foolish attempt to bring some semblance of stability to the Balkans and Somalia? And let s not overlook America s interference with the despotic leaders of Iraq, Panama and Haiti? Or how about America s sheer arrogance in agreeing to bankroll the United Nations, the IMF, countless other international organizations and virtually every major humanitarian relief effort undertaken in the past half century. Is America perfect? Of course not. Have its attempts to involve itself in virtually every global conflict and crisis backfired countless times? Of course they have. That s the price you pay for trying to make a difference.

Rather than blaming America for all of its interference, why don twe try thanking it. Thanking it for actually caring about the rest of the world. Thanking it for recognizing that as the wealthiest and most powerful nation on earth it has a responsibility for making the world a safer, more humane place. Let s not kid ourselves, every time there is a natural disaster or some type of armed conflict in which countless innocent lives are lost, the world looks to the Untied States to intervene. The world needs leaders. It needs nations that are willing and able to stand up for all that is good and just. While it has and will continue to make mistakes, America is the only one out there. Who else would you rather have as the guardian of the free world? France? Sure, there s a country that has never engaged in utterly imbecilic or dangerous foreign policy. What about the UN? Sorry, it s too busy trying to tackle that all-important Zionism as racism issue. Better yet, why doesn t every country just mind its own business and leave one another alone? (If you can t see the danger in that philosophy you might want to pick up a history book some time).

One of the authors of last week s articles tried to separate Canada and the rest of the free world from the Untied States. There are a number of free and democratic countries that are regularly ignored by international terrorists, she says. Really? Name one. Canada. Wrong. Britain. Wrong. France. Wrong. Germany Wrong. Australia. Wrong. Israel. What do you think? What the author failed to mention is that a couple of years ago French Intelligence was able to foil a planned commercial airliner attack on the Eiffel Tower by the same terrorist network (so much for the argument that the terrorist attack was directed solely at the Untied States). Furthermore, the author seems to have forgotten that Canada has enthusiastically supported the very American policy initiatives that the attackers seemingly objected to. The reason the Untied States was attacked and not us is because unlike everyone else, the Untied States is the only one of its allies that actually commits resources to those initiatives. Let s face it, the United States bore the full brunt of an attack that was intended for the entire Western world.

In the coming weeks and months the United States will lead an international coalition in an armed struggle against global terrorism. While many will be quick to criticize the military campaign as a simple act of vengeance, in truth it is a perfectly legitimate and morally defensible act of proactive self-defense. I predict that in our lifetime there will be a major chemical, biological or nuclear terrorist attack on a major metropolitan area in the Western Hemisphere.

Millions of innocent people will likely be killed. We have a moral responsibility to take every reasonable action to prevent that horror. If it requires that we sustain a prolonged battle against terrorist groups and the nations that harbour them, so be it. Whatever fate is bestowed upon those who support terrorism will be one of their own choosing. When nations like Syria, the Sudan, Iraq and Afghanistan voluntarily chose to harbour and support terrorist groups, they should have known that one day they would pay the price. That day has arrived. I hope they get what they deserve. Those who continue to rely on phrases like the Rule of Law and Give Peace A Chance apparently missed the significance of the events in New York and Washington. We tried to give peace a chance and God knows we held strong to the Rule of Law and look where it got us. While it would be utterly irreprehensible to rely on the use of force as the first means of resolving any conflict, it is equally irresponsible to resist the use of force at all costs. Some may argue that by engaging in a broad military campaign we will only incite further attacks. Nonsense. Those attacks are coming anyways. By taking action now, however, we will undoubtedly save lives. I cannot think of a more noble cause for going to war.

No Time for Criticism

by Jeremy Waiser, Law III

I m a little bit sick. I ve just finished watching a lengthy CBC Town Hall special program on the subject of the terrorist attacks on the United States. I m sick and dismayed by the opinions and attitudes expressed by the majority of the audience members. On the program the audience articulated their thoughts and asked questions of a panel of

experts from various fields. I was shocked to see most of the audience express a significant degree of anti-Americanism and an almost moderate stance toward the acts of the terrorists, acts they seemed to view as a direct result of malevolent US international policies. I would like to address this here. I would also like to address two articles written by people I respect very much that appeared in

last week s *Quid Novi* on the subject of the attacks, to which I take exception. They too express a criticism of the United States that is wholly inappropriate and misplaced in our current circumstances.

There was a sort of pattern to the comments of audience members on the Town Hall program. Nearly every person began by expressing their sympathy for the victims of the attacks in New York and Washington, or some kind of disapproval of the events. Then came the but. These took the form of but the US has to learn that it must stop causing injustice and harm in [such and such a place], or but the US brought this upon itself by its support of [such and such a thing], etc. Now let me quote from Lawna Hurl s article in last week s Quid: To be clear, I am not in any way shape or form saying that what happened this week was deserved. But that doesn t mean that American decision making hasn t resulted in a staggering number of deaths around the world each year And then there is this from Karen Lajoie s article in the same issue: This is a powerful, specific, attack on American global dominance, yet the United States is unwilling, or incapable, of understanding this It is precisely this ignorance, coupled with arrogance and power, that fuels this hatred abroad.

The world has just witnessed a monstrous act of murder committed against innocent people. A vile assault was done, killing thousands of Americans (as well as a large number of foreigners, including many Canadians). These acts must be condemned unconditionally. There must not be condemnation in one breath, followed by criticism of the US in the next. Fanatics waging a terror campaign of near-apocalyptic endeavour have wounded the people of a nation and the psyche the world. We must not qualify our criticism of these acts with criticism of their recipients.

I was abroad last Tuesday when all of this was going on. I was not at the Faculty to watch the events live on CNN and witness the unbelievable unfold alongside my classmates and professors. Predictably, nearly everyone there responded with shock, sadness, and revulsion. I have been informed, however, that a few individuals were not of the same mind. One person said at the time, They had it coming. No one had this coming. Blame for this attack

does not rest with Americans. It does not rest with American foreign policy. To suggest otherwise is perverse. It lends legitimacy and perhaps even a modicum of justification to the acts of the terrorists.

Few would argue that American foreign policy decisions and actions have not caused grief and suffering in many places at many stages throughout recent years. We could equally point to a multitude of other nations that have similarly brought misery and torment to both their own citizens and others during this same period. Many of these nations have clashed militarily and ideologically with the US and continue to do so today. It should also be noted that America has brought more aid and assistance to the world s suffering than any other nation on this earth during the same period. These discussions and debates have long existed, and the case for all sides will be argued indefinitely. There is also room for discussing the motivations and cause of the terrorists. Yet how can we use this terrible attack as an opportunity to unleash a torrent of criticism against

Fatwah not only against America and its people, but also against any allies of America and Israel. Terrorist operatives live in Canada today. Canada is an easy target for terror. More to the point, Canada, like Israel, Britain, France, and many others is a potential, if not a *likely* target. We should respond to this barbarous act with as much concern as if it were an act against ourselves.

Another theme that has emerged in recent days is concern over the retaliatory action the US may take against Afghanistan and other nations who harbour terrorists. We should all share this concern. Indiscriminate action against countries and their people is unacceptable. George W. Bush s administration should not be given *carte blanche* by the international community in its efforts to bring the wrongdoers to justice.

That said, I disagree with those who protest against any sort of military action whatsoever. NDP Party leader Alexa McDonough, for example, advocates exhausting every possible peaceful avenue

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the US? Now is the time to offer our sympathy and support. Now is the time to stand together, not sow the seedsT of division in the face of this terrible threat to us all.

On the CBC program, one clearly intelligent female university student rose to proclaim that Canada has no place in this war the US has unjustifiably declared. With respect, this is not just America s war. It is not just America s problem. This was an international assault, a crime against humanity. The architects of this tragedy are against America, to be sure. But their leaders, specifically Osama Bin Laden, have proclaimed a

before we even consider military means. She and others have ar gued for bringing those responsible up on charges before the World Court and trying them in absentia. They want to pass more resolutions at the UN. These are morally sound options but would have little if any practical effect against the terrorists. Further, while the standard of evidence requiring guilt beyond a reasonable doubt is appropriate for the World Court, the standard of evidence justifying action against Bin Laden and his cells must be lower. Forgive the metaphor, but when you ve been hit, you don t wait for a ruling by the

referee before you hit back.
McDonough and company argue that
military action will only ensure a
cycle of increasing violence. These
arguments are borne of a belief that
the US is unjustified in taking any
military action and that such measures are sure to fail to accomplish
anything.

Have we become so blinded by concerns for peace at any cost that we have lost our sense of reason and justice? Is our recollection of our own history so short that we have forgotten what it means to stand up and be counted? Is there no longer such a thing as a just cause? What should we wait for before we act — a chemical weapons attack? Should we simply continue to allow states to harbour and support terrorists? If not

military action then what — starve the people of these nations through sanctions? All other tools at our disposal must certainly be used, diplomatic, political, and otherwise. But our primary objective must be bringing these people to justice. They are a threat to global security and they must be stopped. In these unchartered waters, the effort to do so will require resolve, patience, and sacrifice. We must not seek revenge, but retribution and justice. And above all, an effort to prevent this from happening again. None of us can say what s to be done, and we are all afraid of the consequences of our actions. This fear should not prevent us from being active participants in a proper resolution to this conflict.

I do not believe that the

audience for the CBC s Town Hall program represent an accurate crosssection of Canadian society. I believe the majority of us are repulsed by the maniacal objectives of the terrorists in question and are ready to stand with the international community and the US in the fight against them. The events of September 11 have made the world itself an uncertain place. This is a horror that could touch us all. The response of Canadians to this crisis will define a generation s character and moral fibre. There is a time and a place for criticizing our friend and ally the United States. This is no such time.

An Open Letter to President George W. Bush

by Adam Allouba, Law II

Dear Mr. President,

The events of September 11 left your nation and, indeed, the entire world shocked and aghast at the terrifying scale of the barbarism which was inflicted that morning. I can add nothing to what has already been said about the disaster itself. Allow me therefore to address your necessary and inevitable response to this atrocity. Your government has the right and the duty to defend your people against further attack. In your address to a joint session of Congress this past Thursday you made it clear that you are determined to do just that and I applaud your resolve in showing you and your people will not be cowed by terrorism.

I regret, however, that I cannot agree with the nature and scope of the

retaliatory acts in which the United States appears ready to engage. Tens of thousands of military reservists have been recalled to active duty. Hundreds of warplanes have been dispatched to the Persian Gulf, while aircraft carrier groups have been reported to be on the move to destinations unknown. An ultimatum has been sent to the Taliban apparently threatening them with invasion if they do not comply with your terms. I fear that your chosen course seems increasingly likely to be war. War with Afghanistan, with Iraq, perhaps with every state your government believes provides support for the terrorists you have sworn to destroy.

Mr. President, I cannot sufficiently impress upon you the

nightmare such a course would unleash upon both American and the world. The people of Afghanistan are not your enemies. More importantly, their deaths - by the hundreds, the thousands, the millions - will do nothing to help stop terrorism. I must confess that if it were the case that attacks against these people would result in many tragic and unnecessary deaths but nothing more, I would not be writing this letter. There is already too much injustice and death in this world for one such as myself to be truly shaken by an increase thereof. What I fear is not a distant tragedy, but one which will strike far closer to home than you or I could ever have imagined only weeks ago. In 1991, your father led a coalition of western and Arab nations against Iraq, a war

with clearly defined objectives which were quickly reached. That war remains a source of bitterness throughout the Muslim world. A conflict which could last years, with murky objectives fought against enemies in the shadows would surely cause far more devastation than the Gulf War ever did. I do not believe you can fully appreciate the hatred your nation would engender if it did in fact engage in such action.

I am no expert on the Middle East, but as a Canadian born of Egyptian parents I have more than a passing familiarity with the region. I cannot claim to speak for Arabs, Muslims or indeed anyone but myself but if your words to Congress truly reflect your opinion of why these people chose to attack America, I must respectfully inform you that you are mistaken. You have opined that terrorists hate America because yours is a free and democratic nation, a form of governance they wish to eliminate. It is fully correct to say that these individuals are against freedom. They are not democrats in any sense of the word. They do not, however, target America because they wish to undermine democracy. I must ask you, Mr. President, if any of your advisors have wondered why America is constantly targeted while other equally free nations - Canada, Japan, Sweden, New Zealand - are inconceivable as victims of terrorism on the scale we have witnessed. The terrorists choose America because they have a profound loathing of its conduct on the world stage, an infinite abhorrence of American foreign policy.

The United States has long seen itself as a beacon unto nations, a shining light in a troubled world. It must be hard, perhaps impossible, for one so steeped in the American dream such as yourself to imagine that others could genuinely see your country as an agent of evil and injustice. Nevertheless, Mr. President, I must tell you that such is the case. Would that this sentiment could be dismissed as the opinion of a small

minority. The deep-seated anger which fuelled the terrorists is not confined to murderers and madmen. It is lies in the hearts of the 1 billion Muslims of this world. These are not the views of lunatics, barbarians or ignorami. These are the views of doctors, lawyers and businessmen. These are the views of westernised Muslims who eat at McDonald s and watch Hollywood movies. These are the even views of Muslims who have come to the United States to find a better life. I know this from my education and my experiences, but also because the people I have described are to be found in my own family and friends. They are decent, intelligent, kind individuals but they cannot bring themselves to appreciate the ideals for which America claims to stand when they see the wrongs it has perpetrated. They see the injustice done to the Palestinians as they die by the hundreds and are held under military occupation while the United States does nothing to end it. They see the misery a decade of sanctions have brought to the Iraqi people, sanctions which have caused deaths estimated at perhaps 1 million. They hear America talk of democracy and freedom while supporting corrupt, dictatorial regimes in Egypt and Saudi Arabia. The anger they feel would never lead them to support or accept the events of September 11, but it is heartfelt nonetheless.

One of your spokesmen has been quoted as saying this is not the time for negotiations or discussions. Mr. President, I beseech you with all the urgency this medium can convey to reconsider. I know of no time in American history when sincere and earnest discussion and understanding was more crucial. A state can only win the war on terrorism with its military apparatus if it is willing to employ weapons of mass destruction capable of obliterating all territories from which the enemy could operate, in the process killing hundreds of millions of innocents. There is a better alternative available. Speak to those who despise you so. Ask them

why and listen to what they have to say. Nations with whom you have had only troubled or no contact have condemned the attacks. Open a dialogue with the Iranians, with the Libyans, with the Sudanese and keep an open mind. You will not agree with much of what they have to say but you may come to better understand each other and thereby forge a willingness to co-operate rather than endlessly and uselessly lob rhetorical grenades in the other s camp.

War may soothe the anger Americans feel, but I fear it will set in motion a chain of events which will culminate in another terrorist attack even more terrifying than the last. I fear for the West, for the Muslim world, for America, for my family and friends both in the Middle East and North America and for myself. In closing, I wish to mention a man with which you have often been compared: Ronald Reagan. Upon entering office, Reagan s anticommunist credentials were second to none. Yet he had the wisdom and the courage to keep an open heart towards Soviet leaders and extended them his hand, an offering finally accepted by Mikhail Gorbachev. Together they put an end to the Cold War which had threatened the world with annihilation. I urge you, Mr. President, to find your Gorbachev. There are leaders in the Muslim world such as Iran s Mohammad Khatami who, despite their antipathy towards the United States, are open-minded enough and command the legitimacy to be your partner in ending the conflict between two civilisations. The path of peace may be nobler than that of war, but that is but a feeble argument alongside this more powerful one: I believe it to be the only path which can avert a catastrophe of apocalyptic proportions.

Respectfully yours,

Adam Ahmad Allouba

Have We Learned Anything?

By Eric Gilman, NatIV

I probably should not be writing this piece. I must establish that I am writing as the outspoken student, not as a member of the LSA. (Can I still do that? Oh well, too late.) In this issue, I was supposed to write the counter-argument to the article written by Seb, our VP Public Relations (on the question of corporate sponsorship). However, in light of the events of September 11th and following, I will address that issue another day.

A friend of mine in the faculty e-mailed me and asked if the LSA was planning on making a statement or taking a position regarding the events. To be honest, I do not think that such a move would be appropriate: who the heck am I to have an official position about which you should care? However a number of things have happened since the violent events of September 11th that do concern me as member of our community.

In last week s Quid, Joe Mik wrote a piece (Freedom From Fear) that deeply troubled me on two levels: his use of religion and his thinly veiled revisionism.

Every religion with which I am familiar espouses theories of peace, love and community. However, EVERY religion has also been perverted into a justification for violence. Judaism and Christianity are no different. Mr. Mik refers to God s Will and the cleaning of our shores, heavens and Earth. ARE YOU KIDDING?! Which God s Will? The one that called for the Crusades? Maybe God s Will that brought us the Spanish Inquisition? How about the butchering of virtually every group of indigenous peoples in the Americas, from Canada to Chile?

The establishment of Israeli settlements in the West Bank? All done in the name of God s Will! The instant someone alludes to a sacred or religious justification for their acts of violence then they have betrayed every lesson to be learned from religion, history and the events of September 11th.

My personal religious identity is rather complex. Suffice it to say, I have been an agnostic, an atheist and a believer. Right now, I am not too sure; I like to call my most recent phase: hedging my bets. Nonetheless, at no point in my life have I ever accepted the notion that any one person or faith has a monopoly on the truth or that which is right. The moment someone contends that they have the accurate understanding of God, then I know one thing for sure: they are very wrong! Mr. Mik s appeal to clean our shore, the heavens, and the Earth as it is God s will was one of the most disturbing things that I have read since my arrival to this faculty.

the US has destroyed many more lives of innocent civilians around the world than those affected by September 11th.

The US has used their national interests (which can at times be as mundane as a stable world price for oil) to justify the overthrowing of various fairly elected governments, the training of military forces that take the lives of civilians, the trading of arms to nations (for the sole purpose of destabilizing geo-political realities in other corners of the Earth), etc. Ironically, the US is one of the parties most responsible for the current political reality in Afghanistan, training and funding various groups in the hopes of frustrating the military campaign of the Soviets in the height of the Reagan Cold War years. As an American, the foreign policy of the US disgusts me; they are as guilty as anyone else for using and abusing the people of the world for their own political, economic, or social ends.

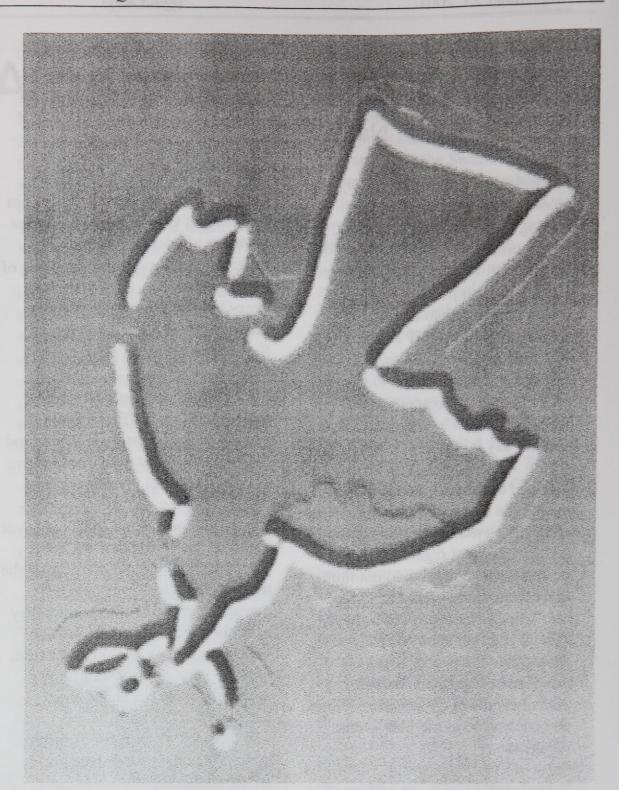
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It should go without saying that I condemn the horrible events of last week. They were violent acts against innocent citizens. Such acts can never be condoned. But I must also note that I am equally troubled by the degree of rhetoric coming out of the US. W recently asked in his address to Congress: Why do they hate us? He concluded that it is because the United States stands for freedom, liberty, and democracy. No, sorry big guy. Try again. It is because

I make these remarks to merely underscore my point that Mr. Mik (and anyone else for that matter) should be very careful before espousing the use of violence in hopes of allowing the innocent to prevail over evil. No one has a monopoly on the will of God. Mr. Mik s allusion to the will of God and the call for the cleaning of our shores, Heavens, and Earth is as much an ugly perversion of what is intended by his Scriptures as the acts of September 11th are of

the Koran.

The level of debate that is going on in this place, a faculty of law, is, to me, tragic. From the first day, we are taught that the Rule of Law is paramount. Our system and the principles on which it is founded require that we remain rational and faithful to a notion of justice. The moment we rely on prejudice and violence to deal with our problems we have abandoned the very principles and essence on which our legal system is founded. The fact that some students of law have been quick to generalize about a people, a nation, or a religion illustrates just how fragile our principles are. The fact that some students are looking for blind retribution of innocent peoples is distressing at best. The fact that intolerance has reared its ugly head in this faculty in the past couple of weeks must be a lesson that no one is immune to hate and irrationality - not even those trained to do otherwise. I had hoped that it was not necessary to ever have to remind people that intolerance and racism have no place in this faculty. Scapegoating and stereotyping is not only unacceptable but it is a betrayal of our most fundamental principles of justice.



When Words Fail

By Karen Lajoie, Nat IV

I had a completely different column planned for this week, but I ve put it aside for a bit. Instead, I wanted to thank Lawna for her column. It got me thinking about the markers with which we measure time s passage, and the events that change us, and leave an imprint forever.

Ten years ago, I was living in a small, isolated community where the main private employer was locked in a bitter and violent strike/lockout with its union. Those of you who take Labour Law with Maitre Coleman will study *CASAW* v. *Royal Oak Mines*, but the facts of the case are but a sliver of

what was going on in the town at the time. About four months into what would be a two-year strike, a bomb was set off in the main transport mine shaft, triggered by a car carrying nine men who had crossed the picket line to their morning work site. The blast was so strong that a pair of three-inch

thick steel doors 300 yards away were torn from their hinges and twisted like a piece of modern art. The little cars that ferry workers back and forth through miles of tunnels have a fifth wheel sticking out on the side, something ore cars don t have. The bomb had been deliberately set in such a way it would only go off if hit by a fifth wheel. The men were obliterated in a thousandth of a second. That weekend, the RCMP basically had to lock down the city, as so many fights broke out in bars and restaurants around town, pitting striker against linecrosser, business owners against workers, those who wanted to believe in accidents against those who cried murder. There were threats shouted across streets, cars rammed into trucks, shots fired into the union hall. The city remained tense throughout the year it took police to arrest someone, and then erupted again when the suspect was revealed to be a striking union man. It took another year for him to go to trial and several months to be convicted on nine counts of first degree murder.

As a crime and justice reporter, I followed the story from initial reports of the blast through to the jury s verdict. I sat in the courtroom when the Crown played an RCMP forensic investigations videotape of their preliminary assessment of the crime scene, complete with fragments of bodies. I will never be able to erase those

images from my mind.

The mine has gone bankrupt now, an environmental cesspool leaking arsenic into Great Slave Lake, but the ghosts of that strike, and the murders, linger over Yellowknife like a pale cloud that continues to obscure one s vision. The city has not returned to its pre-strike vigour, nor will it. It has been marked by an event beyond its control, a deliberate act of hatred that touched every single person who lived there then. Each of us knew someone in that car that day, and we remember.

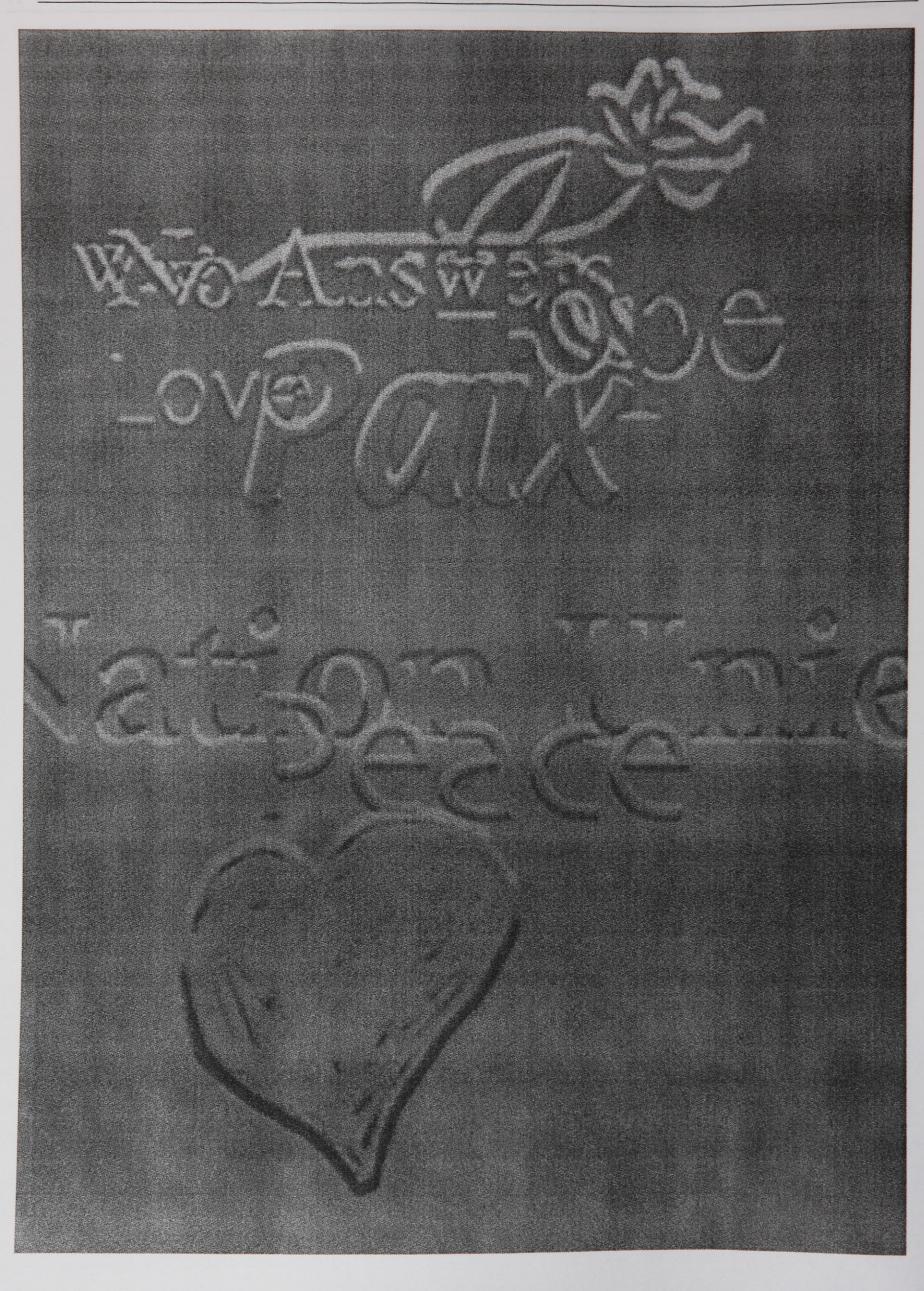
This will be Vietnam to the nth degree, and we will all be dragged into it.

So too, will it be in New York. The rubble will eventually be cleared, the memorial constructed, people buried, and life will go on. But it will not be the same, for those directly touched, for those of us who watched, or for those who spent days and weeks in an agonizing search for the missing. What happened in New York is shocking. In trying to describe it, one is struck by the impotence of language, the insufficiency of words to convey the depth and complexity of the emotions coursing through us. It is impossible to fathom such hatred, yet it lurks within us when we support a war tagged, without irony,

Infinite Justice. We make a mockery of the principles we say we hold dear, thirsting instead for expedient revenge.

I was a small child during the Vietnam War, but I remember the images coming into our home every night on the evening news, years of slaughter hosted by benign reporters like Walter Cronkhite. Every night was September 11, over and over and over again, as the official body counts rose into the tens of thousands, themselves dwarfed by the unofficial counts of dead Vietnamese. It was dirty, it was brutal, and it was war. This is what war looks like. It is not the antiseptic shelling of a distant target with smart bombs, a screen lifted from a video game. It is bloody, it is a world mired in grey, not the crisp black and white politicians would have you believe, and many, many thousands of people, mostly poor civilians, die.

We stand on the brink of going to war again, in a country once called Russia s Vietnam. The American government has reacted with hubris, convinced it can do what no other would-be conqueror has managed, to win a war staged in Afghanistan. This will be Vietnam to the nth degree, and we will all be dragged into it. An eye for an eye leaves the whole world blind, Mahatma Gandhi said, and to our collective shame, we will prove him right.



Revolutionary Assocation of the Women of Afghanistan's Statement on the Terrorist Attacks in the US

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he people of Afghani stan have nothing to do with Osama and his accomplices. On September 11, 2001 the world was stunned with the horrific terrorist attacks on the United States. RAWA stands with the rest of the world in expressing our sorrow and condemnation for this barbaric act of violence and terror. RAWA had already warned that the United States should not support the most treacherous, most criminal, most antidemocracy and anti-women Islamic fundamentalist parties because after both the Jehadi and the Taliban have committed every possible type of heinous crimes against our people, they would feel no shame in committing such crimes against the American people whom they consider infidel. In order to gain and maintain their power, these barbaric criminals are ready to turn easily to any criminal force.

the government of the
United States who
supported Pakistani
dictator Gen. Zia-ul Haq
in creating thousands of
religious schools from which the
germs of Taliban emerged. In the
similar way, as is clear to all, Osama
Bin Laden has been the blue-eyed
boy of CIA. But what is more painful
is that American politicians have not
drawn a lesson from their profundamentalist policies in our
country and are still supporting this

But unfortunately

or that fundamentalist band or leader. In our opinion any kind of support to the fundamentalist Taliban and Jehadies is actually trampling democratic, women s rights and human rights values.

If it is established that the suspects of the terrorist attacks are outside the US, our constant claim that fundamentalist terrorists would devour their creators, is proved once more.

The US government should consider the root cause of this terrible event, which has not been the first and will not be the last one too. The US should stop supporting Afghan terrorists and their supporters once and for all.

Now that the Taliban and
Osama are the prime suspects by the
US officials after the criminal attacks,
will the US subject Afghanistan to a
military attack similar to the one in
1998 and kill thousands of innocent
Afghans for the crimes committed by

From our point of view a vast and indiscriminate military attacks on a country that has been facing permanent disasters for more than two decades will not be a matter of pride. We don't think such an attack would be the expression of the will of the American people.

The US government and people should know that there is a vast difference between the poor and devastated people of Afghanistan and the terrorist Jehadi and Taliban criminals.

While we once again announce our solidarity and deep sorrow with the people of the US, we also believe that attacking Afghanistan and killing its most ruined and destitute people will not in any way decrease the grief of the American people. We sincerely hope that the great American people could DIF-FERENTIATE between the people of Afghanistan and a handful of fundamentalist terrorists. Our hearts go out

Down with Terrorism!

the Taliban and Osama? Does the US think that through such attacks, with thousands of deprived, poor and innocent people of Afghanistan as its victims, will be able to wipe out the root-cause of terrorism, or will it spread terrorism even to a larger scale?

to the people of the US.

Down with terrorism!

Revolutionary Association of the Women of Afghanistan (RAWA)

September 14, 2001

The Law School Aquarium

by Marc Edmunds, Law III

just finished reading my article from last week s Quid (it was at the back, and so the last one in my memory!), and I want to re-emphasise that recognition needs to be served to people who try to do good things and be good people. Last week s article was the one devoted to that sort of thing, so I will leave it at that, but I just wanted to reiterate.

I want to say welcome to this year s 1st year class, and serve them some recognition too. Can I just tell you all, and the rest of the faculty, that I LOVE you guys!!! So much life, so many good people, so much partying, and so much concern for the world around you (read: Social Justice Issues). You guys ROCK!!! Note to the admissions committee: whatever you did this past spring, do it again, *forever*!

Paragraph three — at this point a good writer would have let you know some sort of vague idea what it is s/he is writing about, but I am sure you haven t the foggiest. Here is the point of this article (you thought I was just rambling, eh?!): Memo to the 1st years: if you even begin to lose

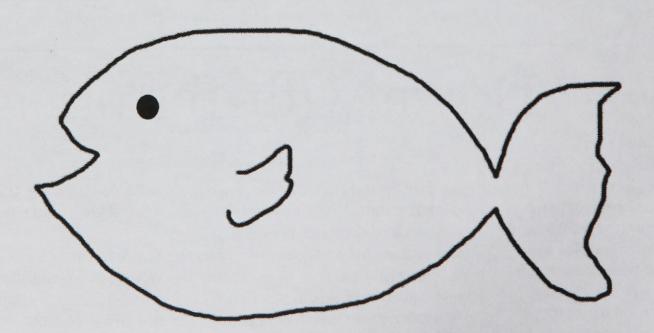
who you are, and why you are here, and what makes you all so special, I will personally hunt you down and, well, not so much of the physical violence, but I can tell you that I will be very upset! Because you truly are a wonderful class (I may be biased, of course, as you participated in Orientation so completely and willingly!), and I want you to continue to be so throughout your years here. There have been a few years that have started out in a very promising manner, and then the shark tank that is law school gets to them and next thing you know, they aren t quite as fantastic as they started out.

There are dolphins in this shark tank too you know. And all kinds of other interesting marine-creatures, for that matter. But people will try to tell you how much of a shark you need to be. Tell them either to come and find me or, quite simply, to fuck off. Because being a decent human being is not something you have to forget once you hit law school, regardless of how many jokes you hear to the contrary. In fact, if you look around you, you will notice that the most successful people in this

faculty are people that take the time to have some humanity.

If you are an octopus, if you are a stingray, if you are an eel, if you are a sea horse — whatever you are, whatever you have been the rest of your life, keep it up. Because the admissions committee didn t let you in by mistake. You are a great group of people. Fantastic, actually - can I say it some more? What I am trying to say, and being far too verbose about, is don t change. Because whatever you were before works you got in, remember? Too many people get in line to be turned into robots once they hit law school don t bother. From what they tell me, employers (whoever they may be) are much more concerned with having interesting people than a bunch of faceless drones.

So continue to be strange, interesting, and crazy. Keep the faith, fellow marine-creatures. I like to think of myself as one of the dolphins, but truth be told, I am probably more of an odd octopus. But that s OK. And that s the point.



Bridget Jones Goes to Law School*

by V. Henderson, Esq & N. Lachance, Nat IV

20 September 2001

129 lbs. (feel fantastic), calories 1400 (superbly well-disciplined), alcohol units 4 (ok), minutes spent flipping b/w CBS & ABC to catch glimpse of brave cute NYC firefighters engaged in heroic rescue efforts 172 (needs improvement).

This past summer has been quite the learning experience. Researching vital questions relating to trade-marks of cheese and ice cream producers, purchasing damning evidence in form of soon-to-becontraband hockey skates which violated client s industrial design (me in the Sports Experts store in kicky high heels and a pencil skirt — that was certainly covert!), drafting memos detailing copyright issues inherent in cartoon characters This vast experience has rendered me calm and self-assured career woman of substance, capable of gliding effortlessly through ultimate year of law school.

Penultimate, actually, as bar school to follow.

Have recently been informed that bosom friend Hermia suffering from dreadful stomach affliction having caused massive weight loss. Immediately trundled over to Hermia s in order to test her scale to see if own weight has diminished by feelings of sympathy for ill friend.

Weight on Hermia s scale 131 lbs. Damn.

In attempt to distract Hermia from negative psychological impact of stomach affliction, kindly decided to share with her current relationship problems (have put relationship in quotation marks, simply because do not feel as though am actually in proper relationship, which is what have come to discuss). Equation as presented to Hermia as follows:

1 overachieving international barrister bf focussing on career advancement in lieu of, as opposed to in tandem with, relationship advancement + 2 have not met other fantastic prospects in law school with whom could potentially cultivate meaningful relationship > 3 have absolutely no chance of meeting outstanding man who would eventually propose (leaving sufficient time to plan smart yet minimalist wedding and find slimming white dress that would make self appear as slim as Hermia, only subtract stomach affliction) before landmark 30th birthday ± must have first child before age of 32 or

risk becoming barren spinster = as opposed to simply spinster.

Hermia s vociferous interjection: No, Bridge, is obviously preferable to be healthy spinster — which you are not, yet — than to be ailing thin person currently in relationship with winsome management side labour lawyer bf. Honestly.

Self: Quit feeding me that deconstructionist feminist legal theory. Sure you don t want this wine?

Hermia: Just think. As a single you will be better able to pursue other interests, as no longer hindered by studious appendage you so affectionately referred to as bf. You have potential to singlehandedly conquer societal stereotypes dictating that any woman without a man is a social pariah. You don't need a man to help make you into fierce moneymaking career woman. Think of Joan of Arc!

Hermia has obviously taken too many antibiotics. Will just go home and click on news again in hopes of seeing more handsome firefighter rescue workers in action.

With apologies to Helen Fielding.

Phi Delta Phi Announcement

The Laurier Inn of Phi Delta Phi legal ethics fraternity will be holding its first meeting of the year Wednesday, September 26th at 1:30 pm in Room 200.

genda items include:
Scholarship Applications
Certificates of Membership
Fall Induction Ceremony
Election of Officers

Clubs Day Speakers Projects Law Games

11 members in good standing are asked to attend. All other interested embers of the McGill Law community are invited to come meet us, and heck out what we do!

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The contest nam from August 20, 2001 to April 12, 2002. The draw for the intraversit Resort (Tremblant) weekend will take place on November 23, 2001. The draw for the inter-University Grand Prize of \$2,500 and the eight \$250 prizes will take place on April 19, 2002.

Justice Canada Notice

L Association de planification fiscale et financi r e (APFF) and the Civil Code Section of the Department of Justice Canada will be hosting a seminar on the harmonization of federal tax legislation with Quebec civil law as part of the APFF s 2001 conference. Speakers, notably from the McGill Faculty of Law, will deal with the interplay of common law and civil law as it relates to the application of tax legislation in Canada.

The seminar will be held on October 3rd from 9am to 5pm, at H tel Delta Centre-V ille, 777, University, Montreal (please note correct address: the program is incorrect in this regard).

Although the advertised price for non-members is 425\$ plus taxes, the Department has negotiated a special price of 30\$ for students wishing to partake in the catered lunch and 0\$ (free) for students who only attend the presentations.

Registration is required by the APFF no later than September 28th by regular mail, telephone or fax. To benefit from the discount, please mention that you are a student and subsequently send an email to sandra.hassan@justice.gc.ca stating that you have registered.

Programs of the Seminar and the APFF s annual conference as well as an outline of the work done by the Civil Code Section are available at the OUS. The program may also be found at http://www.apff.org/congres.html

So I'm here, now what?

by Sheila Varadan, Law II

kay, now that you ve been wined, dined, and stuffed with sushi you re probably wondering if the world of corporate buyingoff oh, sorry sponsorship is really over. Well, I can certainly assure you, there still awaits a wonderful future of sponsored coffeehauses, really cool FREE travel mugs (although they ll probably have some way-too-long firm name plastered on the side) and all the free highlighters your dear little hearts could ever desire.

However, most of you came here for reasons other than starting a collection of firm highlighters and fridge magnets (although they are very useful). Rather, you came to study and explore the complex issues of human rights and social justice in the world. Many of us in upper-years were incredibly delighted by the wonderful turn out of students to the Social Justice Luncheon. It was the first year the faculty has incorporated a social justice event into the orientation and thanks to the support of our froshies, it looks like it will become a permanent fixture. I would like to sincerely thank all the different clubs that took the time out of their hectic summer to help plan the event with the ILS. I would also like to thank Professor Toope and Professor Blackett for their support in the event.

Well, you may be asking yourself, now that I ve signed up what next? Not to worry — the social justice clubs on campus will no doubt need as much volunteer help as possible - whether it is hanging up a poster, making an announcement, or writing an article for the Quid. However, bear in mind, we all understand the plight of the first-year student and it is silently understood

that you will need as much time as possible to overcome your personal bout of law school insanity. But, we do expect one thing out of you, the same thing we expect out of everyone - to remember why you are here.

We are in a very unique place right now. We are very fortunate to be surrounded by numerous faculty that are not only leading experts in the field of international human rights law and social justice, but who are also willing to bend over backwards to impart their knowledge and experience on students. We are also fortunate to be surrounded by so many hard-working peers who believe in the same issues as we believe in - who organise events, workshops, career days and so many other activities for us.

This isn t meant to be a lecture. It is meant to be a reminder to everyone who might get lost in the stress and pressure of doing-well - there is so much more going on around you. And to ensure you that going to that workshop and conference is not a compromise to your studies - but rather an enrichment. We entreat you to go out and experience as much of these opportunities as you can. You ll have the rest of your life to sit in front of a case with a highlighter, but you will only be in law school once.

The Human Rights Working
Group has already lined up a year
packed with events and activities
devoted to promoting human rights
advocacy and awareness. The ILS
with the generous support of Professor Toope have been planning an
extraordinary trip for students
interested in International Law
(social justice law, environmental
law, human rights law, private
international law) to attend the
Canadian Council on International
Law Conference in Ottawa on

October 18-20. This year the conference will focus on Globalism: People, Profits, Progress? The event promises to be a once-in-a-life opportunity with an exclusive luncheon for McGill students and International Legal experts at the conference, subsidised accommodation and transportation, and a bus trip with other international law junkies. Feel free to check out the website www.ccil-ccdi.ca. There is a limited number of spaces, so it is imperative that students act quickly. There will be a more detailed information session Wednesday September 26th at 2:00 pm in Rm 202. Hope to see everyone there!



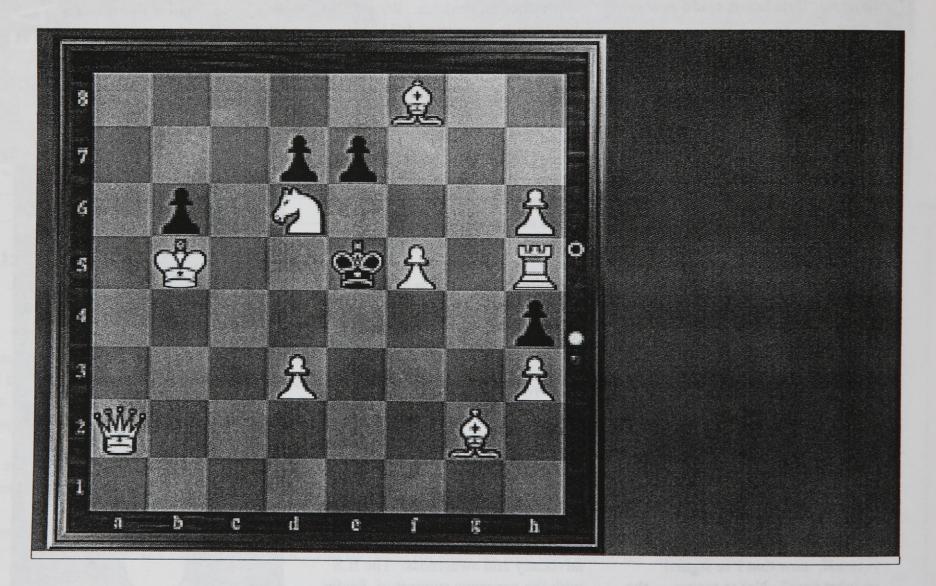
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Chess Club Corner

This is the first of a soon to be weekly Quid submission created to stimulate interest in our Faculty s new chess club. Announcements as to when and what the club will do will be given at a later date via the Noticeboard, this weekly Chess Club Corner, and any other method those in the chess club can think of.

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White to play and mate in two moves.



Solution on page 24.

Pablo E. Bustos

Trash Talk

by Michelle Williams & Hilary Stedwil

Michelle: In an attempt to add some sort of cultured event to the week of going out associated with Orientation a group of us went to the final night of the Picasso Exhibit. The exhibit had gotten a lot of attention since both Toronto and New York refused to host it given its sexual content. The title of the exhibit is Erotic and it includes mostly sketches as well as some paintings which are erotic to put it mildly.

The thing that struck me, other than the sketches, were the children that were present at the exhibit, given that if the material presented had been in video form it would have been XXX rated. Some of the works presented especially violent acts against women. I know that the difference between art and pornography is a matter of opinion, but in this case think that the museum should have perhaps screened the audience a little more carefully.

Blushing at the Musee.

Hilary: You re suggesting that the Museum is responsible for babysitting our children? Surely you jest while you blush. A freedom loving, private interest praising Canadian such as yourself now wants institutions to decide what our children should and shouldn t be exposed to regarding their sexuality? I skoff. The easy way, of course, is to answer, Their parents should keep them home, but you deserve better than that.

Many of the pictures that I saw were human, or natural, or the product of a life of intimate experiences and questions about human sexuality, which is what makes it distinct from pornography that seeks only to show sexually explicit images out of context for the purpose of entertainment. In particular, Picasso s materials, colours, brush

and pencil strokes convey the emotions associated with human sexuality, something that traditional ponography does not convey well. Sadly, the latter is where most of the children you want to shield from sexual imagery learn about how to behave with their partners. I d rather they saw Picasso s version over Penthouse s any day, because kids will find out one way or another, with or without their parents guidance, about their sexuality.

As for Montreal being chosen over Toronto, well, that s because Toronto has no culture!

Over to you, Prudy!

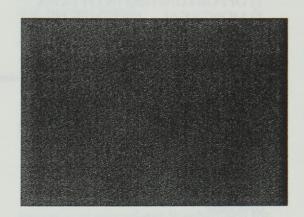
Michelle: I realize beauty, or pornography for that matter, is in the eye of the beholder. I think we could spend the rest of our lives arguing as to whether the sketches are art or pornography and probably never really resolve the issue. But given that we both agree that some of the images were sexually explicit and violent, one wonders whether or not the museum has a certain responsibility to the viewing public to advise them of the nature of the exhibit. We, as a society, already recognize some venues where children, even if their parents permitted them to be there, are not by law allowed. Now, am I saying that there should be legal restrictions on who can see what at museums? No. I guess what I am wondering is if exposing an 8 year old girl to Picasso s, The Rape is really the best forum to open up a discussion regarding female sexuality?

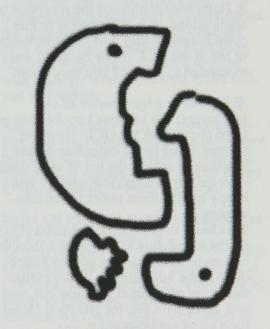
Additionally, the museum format doesn t offer a venue for discussion. The children that I saw with their parents at the museum were silent as they absorbed the images. One could only imagine what they were thinking and what ques-

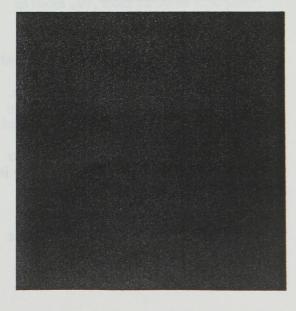
tions they may have wanted to ask which were hushed by onlookers.

Wishing Picasso had stayed a cubist!

Before some Torontonian lambastes me, at least your city was considered. Somehow, I don't think Regina Saskatchewan made the shortlist.







Career and Placement Office

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1)THE NEW YORK/BOSTON ON-CAMPUS INTERVIEWS - UPDATE!

***Several students asked me to keep them posted on the situation with the New York OCI. So here is a brief overview:

All firms but one (Cleary, Gotlieb, Steen & Hamilton) confirmed the reception of applications. It is still unclear at this point in time if they will be participating or not at the OCI. Their building was evacuated as some of you may know.

Æ I spoke to a læ number of our employers. All of those I spoke to expect to go ahead with the OCI. However, several asked for an extension on the deadline to submit the list of candidates selected for an interview which I was happy to give them under the circumstances

This has 2 implications: I will be able to do the scheduling at a later date therefore will most likely contact you by phone quite at the last minute. I fully realize this is not an optimal scenario but, you will agree with me, the situation called for a bit of understanding.

Æ I will keep you posted.

***PLEASE NOTE: If you are participating in the US recruitment process, you have to sign-up at the Placement Office. Remember that I will have to call you to inform you about the interview schedule! I strongly recommend you get an answering machine/voice mail if you do not have one. Make sure your message is professional in tone!

***The procedure (green sheet) is available at the Career Placement Office.

***Make sure to attend the information

session on the new US OCI procedure on Monday, Sept. 24, 12:30 at the Moot Court.

***The latest NALP s Associate Salary Survey is out: get a copy at the CPO.

2) TORONTO OCI

***Lists of selected candidates will be posted at the CPO on October 9, 10 am.

*** Sign-up day for interviews: October 10, 12:30 in the Atrium. First come, first served basis!!!

*** Be strategic when planning your factum! No extensions will be granted because of the recruitment processes.

***The procedure sheet are available at the CPO.

***Do not miss the information session on Monday, September 24 at 12:30, Moot Court.

3) EAST/WEST RECRUITMENT PROCESS

VANCOUVER /CALGARY/
MARITIMES LAW
FIRMSRECRUITING 1st, 2nd AND
3rd yr LAW STUDENTSFOR SUMMER 2002 AND ARTICLING
POSITIONS*******INTERVIEWS IN
TORONTOON NOVEMBER 15th &
16th

McGill is joining the East-West Recruitment Process that will take place in Toronto on November 15th and 16th, 2001. Some Vancouver, Calgary and Maritimes firms recruiting 1st, 2nd and 3rd year students for Summer 2002 and articling positions will come to Toronto to conduct their interviews. Students wishing to apply may bring their application(s) (cover letter + r sum + photocopy of transcripts - undegraduate, graduate and law) for each firm to the Placement Office no later than Friday October 26th, 2001, at noon. All applications will be forwarded to these firms. Please specify your interest (summer position or articling) on the cover letter. It is within each firm s discretion as to when they wish to contact students to schedule interviews. Selected candidates will be invited to go to Toronto for the interview. Firms will interview off-site at affiliate offices in Toronto or at a downtown hotel. There will be a reception at the Toronto Faculty of Law on Thursday night, November 15th for students selected for interviews in order to meet representatives of the firm(s). Selected candidates HAVE TO INFORM THE PLACEMENT OFFICE in order to have their name tag

ready.

The complete list of firms, contact names and addresses
Is also available at the Placement Office.

Application Deadline: Friday October 26th, 2001 at noon, at the Placement Office East / West On-Campus Interviews, November 15th and 16th 2001 - TORONTO

Calgary Firms:

Bennett Jones 4500 Banker s Hall East 855 — 2nd Street S.W Calgary, AB T2Y 3M9 Contact Name: Ms. Maureen Killoran

Summer positions: 8 — 10; first and second year students

Blake, Cassels & Graydon Suite 3500 855 — 2nd Street, S.W Calgary, AB T2P 4J8 Contact Name: Mr. David Tupper

Summer Positions: 5; first and second year students

Burnet, Duckworth & Palmer Suite 1400 350 — 7thAvenue S.W. Calgary, AB T2P 3N9 Contact Name: Ms. Teresa Johnson

Summer positions: 8; first and second year students

Donahue Ernst & Young PO Box, Station M 1000, 440 2nd Avenue SW Calgary, AB T2P 5E5 Contact Name: Ms Sherry Roen, Humans Resources Coordinator

Summer positions: 2-3; first and second year students

Fraser Milner Casgrain LLP 30th Floor, Fifth Avenue Place 237-4th Avenue S.W. Calgary, AB T2P 4X7 Contact Name: Ms. Julie Riewe

Articling and Summer Positions: 8; first and second year students. 3rd year students for 2002-03 articling postions.

Macleod Dixon
Suite 3700
400 — 3rdAvenue S.W.
Calgary, AB T2P 4H2
Contact Name: Ms. Karen Chown

Summer positions: 4-5; first and second year students.

McCarthy T trault
Suite 3300
421-7th Avenue S.W.
Calgary, AB T2P 4K9
Contact Name: Mr. Robert J. Hanf.

Summer positions: 3-4; second year students only

Osler, Hoskin & Harcourt LLP 1900, 333 7th Avenue SW Calgary, AB T2P 2Z1 Contact Name: Mr. Andrew Little Articling and Summer Positions: 1-2 summer positions for second year students only.

East Coast Firms:

Stewart McKelvey Stirling Scales PO Box 5038 Suite 1100, Cabot Place 100 New Gower Street St. John s, NF A1C 5V3 Contact Name: Colm St. Roch Seviour

Articling and Summer positions: The number of positions is still to be determined Please note that the positions are for Stewart McKelvey offices in Charlottetown, Fredericton, Halifax, Moncton, Saint John, St. John s, and Sidney. Please state in your cover letter which office(s) you are applying to, and if you are applying for a summer position or an articling position.

Patterson Palmer Hunt Murphy
Bank of Montreal Tower
1600-5151 George Street
PO Box 247
Halifax, Nova Scotia B3J 2N9
Contact name: Mr. Ian Pickard
Interviewing for offices located in St.
John s (6-8 second first year students
only) and Halifax (6-8 second year
students only for summer and articling
positions).

White, Ottenheimer & Baker P.O. Box 5457
St. John s NF A1E 5H5
Contact name: Mr. Robert B. Andrews Articling and Summer Positions: 5 summer positions for first students only. Articling applications will be accepted from second year students and students still looking for an articling position for 2002-03.

Vancouver Firms:

Alexander Holburn Beaudin & Lang Suite 2700 700 West Georgia Street Vancouver, BC V7Y 1B8 Contact Name: Mr. Rob McLennan

Summer positions: 4; second year students only

Blake, Cassels & Graydon Suite 2600 595 Burrard Street Three Bentall Centre Vancouver, BC V7X 1L3 Contact Name: Ms. Jennifer J. Lynch

Summer positions: 7; second year students only

Borden, Ladner, Gervais 1200-200 Burrard Street P.O. Box 48600 Vancouver, BC V7X 1T2 Contact Name: Mr. Michael Skene Summer positions: 12; second year students only

Bull, Housser & Tupper Suite 3000 1055 West Georgia Street Vancouver, BC V6E 3R3 Contact Name: Ms. Madalynne McPherson

Summer Positions: 6; second year students only

Clark, Wilson 800 — 885West Georgia Street Vancouver, BC V6C 3H1 Contact Name: Mr. Brock Johnston

Articling and Summer Positions: 1 or 2 summer and articling positions. Second year students only.

Davis & Company Suite 2800 666 Burrard Street Vancouver, BC V6C 2Z7 Contact Name: Ms. Sharon Watkins

Summer positions: 8 - 10; second year students only

Farris, Vaughan, Wills & Murphy Pacific Centre South 2600-700 West Georgia Street Vancouver, BC V7Y 1B3 Contact Name: Ms. Nora Ware

Summer Positions: 5-6; second year students only

***The firm wants to bring to your attention the timing of their interview process this Fall in Vancouver. The Vancouver Bar Association has selected the week of October 22, 2001 as the Interview Week for summer 2002 positions. Students MAY apply directly to the firm if they wish to be considered for an interview in Vancouver the week of October 22, 2001.

Fasken Martineau DuMoulin 2100-1075 West Georgia Street Vancouver, BC V6E 3G2 Contact Name: Mr Bruce R. Grist or Ms. Margo J. Munro

Summer Positions: 10; second year students only

Fraser Milner Casgrain LLP 1500 - 1040 West Georgia Street Vancouer, BC V6E 4H8 Contact Name: Mr. Gary Clarke Summer and Articling Positions: 4; second year students only.

Lawson Lundell Lawson & McIntosh Suite 1600 925 West Georgia Street Vancouver, BC V6C 3L2 Contact Name: Mr. Craig A. B. Ferris

Summer positions: 6; second year students only

McCarthy T trault 1300-777 Dunsmuir Street Vancouver, BC V7Y 1K2 Contact Name: Ms. Sonia Iida

Summer Positions: 7-8 second year students only

Stikeman Elliott Suite 1700 Park Place 666 Burrard Street Vancouver, BC V6C 2X8 Contact Name: Mr Richard J. Jackson Summer positions: TBD

4) IMPORTANT INFORMATION SESSIONS

US and TORONTO RECRUITMENT PROCESSES & SUMMER POSITIONS WITH THE GOVERNMENT

***The information session detailing the recruitment procedures is scheduled for September 24, 12:30, Moot Court. It is highly recommended that students attend the information session since changes have been implemented since last year. Students will have the chance to meet with students who summered in the U.S. and in Toronto.

Summer positions with the Government: Students who worked for the government this summer will also participate in this information session. They will be happy to share their experience with you.

HUMAN RIGHTS INTERNSHIPS (Not the McGill Program) Several students who had the opportunity to find such an internship will come and talk about their experience. They will be happy to share tips, addresses and contacts with you. Wed., September 26 in room 201, from 12:30 to 1:30 pm.

5) ARTICLING POSITION RECEIVED THIS WEEK

***The Ministry of the Attorney General is looking for 3 articling students for the 2002/2003 articling session to work in the Legal Services Branch of Management Board Secretariat. Two will join the labour and employment law practice and one will join the corporate/commercial law practice group. The two students hired to join the labour an and employement practice will have demonstrated an interest in labour, employment and human rights matters. The one articling students in corporate/commer-

cial law will have demonstrated interest in commercial law, information technology, intellectual property and insurance law. Students will have the opportunity to round up their experience with a 3-month rotation in the other law practice area. Location: Toronto. If interested, send your résumé, a cover letter that indicates which area is of interest to you, a copy of the OFFICIAL transcripts of all post-secondary education, including law school.

Address: Management Board Secretariat Legal Services Branch

7 Queens Park Cres. East, 2nd floor,

Room 228

Toronto, ON M7A 1Z5

Attention: Marilyn Dyczkowski by mail

or fax

Fax: (416) 325-9404 E-mail (not provided!)

File Number: AG-LSD 4193/01 Deadline: October 5, 2001

Interviews held during week of November 12, 2001

ber 12, 2001

6) POSITIONS RECEIVED THIS WEEK (summer and part-time)

***ENVIRONMENTAL LAW:

***The Sierra Legal Defense Fund hired second-year students for summer positions.

Address: 214-131 Water Street Vancouver, BC, V6B 4M3. Contact: Tim Howard

E-mail: thoward@sierralegal.org

www.sierralegal.org Tel: (604) 685-5618 Fax: (604) 685-7813

Include transcripts and a reference letter.

***The Institute for European Studies is hiring! La Faculté est à la recherche d'une étudiante ou d'un étudiant pour travailler au 1er Colloque annuel de l'Institut d'études européennes, qui aura lieu les vendredi 28 septembre et samedi 29 septembre 2001.

L'horaire de travail sera le suivant:
Vendredi 28 septembre: 14h-20h (à la Faculté de l'aménagement, UdeM)
Samedi 29 septembre: 8h-12h (Faculty

The student must be fluently bilingual. Duties will be related to Registration and Logistics.
Salary: 14\$/h.

of Law, McGill University)

For more information, please contact: Julie Guyot, Communications Officer, at 398-6616 or julie.guyot@mcgill.ca

***Les Conseilles en Affaires Internationales et en Immigration (CAI) is looking for an immigration lawyer or paralegal. The ideal candidate has experience in the field of immigration law (Canadian procedures), is bilingual, has excellent organisational skills.

Contact: Mr. Charles Lugassy 1470 Peel, Suite 316, Tour B Montreal, H3A 1T1 Fax: (514) 288-4822 charles@generation.net

***Le Groupe Tecnum est à la recherche d'un étudiant(e) de 3e année pour faire des recherches sur internet à caractère légal (20-30 heures/semaine). La personne doit être bilingue à l'écrit et à l'oral.

La connaissance de l'espagnol est un atout. Envoyez votre CV par fax à l'attention de Jean-Claude Tessier.

Adresse: 428 Place Jacques-Cartier Fax: (514) 871-0175

***HWANG & Company has a secondyear summer program. They are looking for someone with Korean language skills to work in the areas of Immigration and Landlord/tenant law.

Hwang & Co. 333 – 4501 North Road Burnaby, BC V3N 4R7 Fax: (604) 421-6339 www.korcanlaw.com mh @korcanlaw.com Contact: Michael Hwang

7) OPPORTUNITIES IN OTTAWA

***The majority of firms will recruit in the spring. If you are interested in IP specialty firms, it might be a good moment now to contact Gowlings and Smart & Biggar now as they are recruiting this Fall.

***2002 Summer Student Postion with Smart & Biggar (Ottawa Office): The program is designed for first and second year students. While they generally look for students with a technical background in engineering or the physical or natural sciences, they also consider non-science candidates.

Send your application to Steven B. Garland P.O. Box 2999, Station D 900 – 55 Metcalfe St. Ottawa, ON K1P 5Y6 Tel.: (613) 232-2486 Fax: (613) 232-8440 Sbgarland@smart-biggar.ca Web: smart-biggar.ca

Deadline: October 5, 2001

***Gowlings offre un poste d'été à 6 étudiant(e)s intéressé(e)s à pratiquer dans le domaine de la propriété intellectuelle. Les candidats doivent soumettre une lettre, leur CV et leurs relevés de notes. La lettre doit inclure une description de l'intérêt et de la compétence du candidat(e) pour la pratique en question.

Address: Gowling Lafleur Henderson LLP 2600-160 Elgin Street Ottawa, ON K1P 1C3 Attention: Jamie Mills or Adrienne Blanchard Tel: (613) 233-1781 James.mills @gowlings.com Adrienne.blanchard@gowlings.com

Deadline: October 5, 2001

***Articling position for 2002-2003 in Ottawa with Grant & Dawn

Deadline: October 15, 2001 Contact:Anna Spinola

Areas Of Practice: All mainly Family

law

Address: 226 MacLaren Street

Ottawa, Ontario K2P 0L6

Fax: (613) 235-5294 Tel: (613) 235-2212

Package should include: cover letter, resume, transcripts (undergrad and law), references.

8) MONTREAL – ENTENTE DE RECRUTEMENT

Elle est enfin arrivée! Vous pouvez vous procurer votre copie au Bureau de placement. Veuillez noter que seul le paragraphe 3(f) de la première section accuse des changements par rapport à celle de l'an dernier.

Seuls les étudiants qui font le recrutement de New York et de Toronto peuvent se prévaloir du recrutement spécial d'automne et qu'en aucun cas ce recrutement spécial peut se substituer au processus normal de recrutement du printemps. Dans le doute, veuillez en discuter avec moi.

Nous prévoyons faire une brève session d'information à ce sujet : gardez les yeux ouverts!

9) UPCOMING ATTRACTIONS!

The CPO is planning an Information session for first-year students...

Nous prévoyons faire une brève session d'information sur l'Entente de recrutement de Montréal et le recrutement spécial d'automne...

More to come next week...

10) BAR/BRI

If any one is planning on coordinating it...please let me know.

Problem

Problem

White moves Queen to F2. Black makes any move. White mates accordingly.